

Session 14

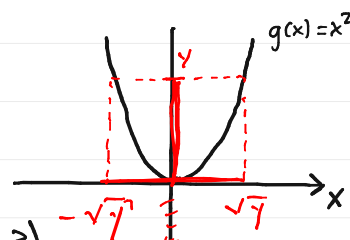
Recall...

Ex. 13 $Y = g(X) = X^2 \Rightarrow g(x) = x^2$

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Note immediately $F_Y(y) = 0, y < 0$.

For $y > 0$:



$$F_Y(y) = P(\{X^2 \leq y\}) = P(\{X^2 \leq y\})$$

$$= P(\{-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}\})$$

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$$= F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y})$$

$$\therefore F_Y(y) = [F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y})] \cdot 1_{(0, \infty)}(y)$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy}$$

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$$= f_X(\sqrt{y}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} + f_X(-\sqrt{y}) \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} [f_X(\sqrt{y}) + f_X(-\sqrt{y})], \quad y > 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} [f_X(\sqrt{y}) + f_X(-\sqrt{y})] \cdot \mathbb{1}_{(0, \infty)}(y)$$

Ex. 2 Suppose that $g(x)$ is constant across an interval $[x_0, x_1]$

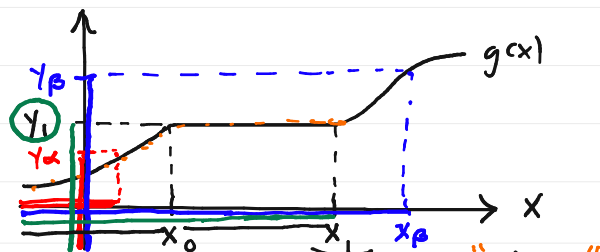
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$$F_Y(y) = P(\{Y \leq y\})$$

(i) $y < y_1$:

$$F_Y(y_2) = P(\{Y \leq y_2\})$$

$$= P(\{X \leq \tilde{g}^{-1}(y_2)\}) = P(X \leq \tilde{g}^{-1}(y_2)) = F_X(\tilde{g}^{-1}(y_2))$$



$$(ii) \quad y > y_1: F_Y(y_2) = P(\{Y \leq y_2\}) = P(\{X \leq x_2\})$$

$$= P(\{X \leq \tilde{g}^{-1}(y_2)\}) = F_X(\tilde{g}^{-1}(y_2))$$

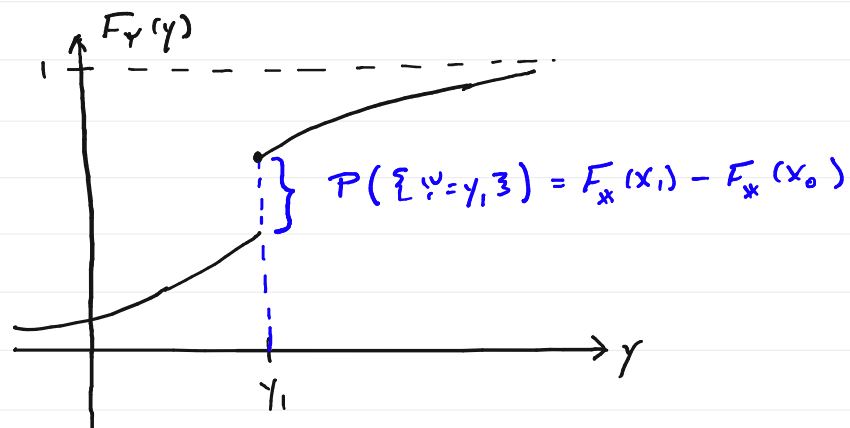
What about $F_Y(y)$?

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$$\begin{aligned}
 F_Y(y_1) &= P(\{Y \leq y_1\}) = \underbrace{P(\{X \leq x_1\})}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{disjoint}}} \\
 &= P(\{X \leq x_0\} \cup \{x_0 < X \leq x_1\}) \\
 &= P(\{X \leq x_0\}) + \underbrace{P(\{x_0 < X \leq x_1\})}_{\geq 0} \\
 &= F_X(x_0) + \underbrace{[F_X(x_1) - F_X(x_0)]}_{\geq 0} \\
 &= F_X(x_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} F_X(g^{-1}(y)) & , y < y_1 \\ F_X(x_1) & , y = y_1 \\ F_X(g^{-1}(y)) & , y > y_1 \end{cases}$$

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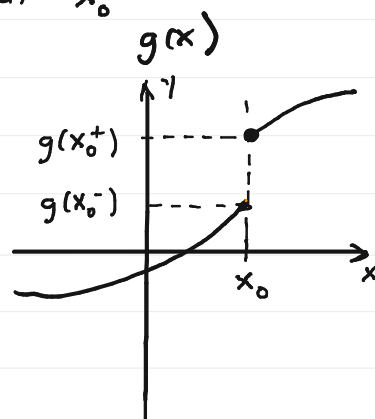


Ex. 3 Assume that $g(x)$ has a jump discontinuity at x_0

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$$g(x_0^+) \neq g(x_0^-)$$

Assume $g(x) < g(x_0^-), x < x_0$
 $g(x) > g(x_0^+), x > x_0$



If $y: g(x_0^-) \leq y \leq g(x_0^+)$:

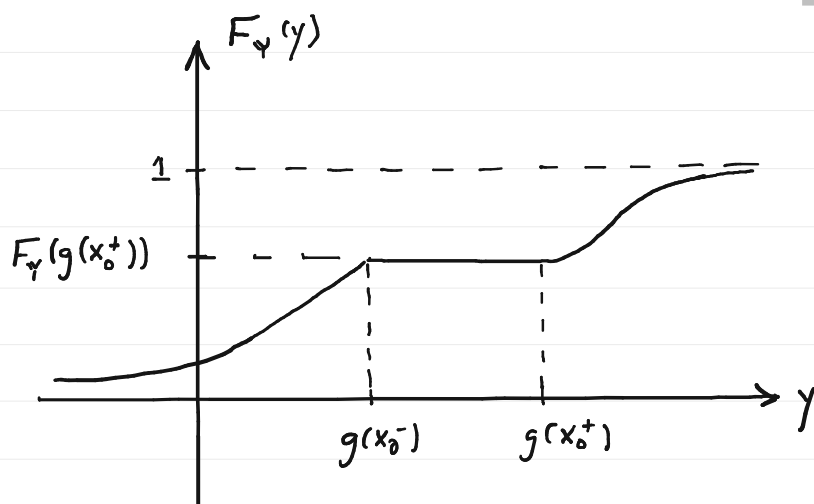
$$F_Y(y) = P(\{Y \leq y\}) = P(\{X \leq x_0^+\}) = P(\{X \leq x_0^-\})$$

$$= F_X(x_0^+) = F_X(x_0^-)$$

if X is absolutely continuous.

$\therefore F_Y(y)$ appears as follows:

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The Direct pdf Method

14.8

Suppose $Y = g(X)$, where $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
such that the inverse $g^{-1}(\cdot)$ exists,

(i.e., if $y = g(x) \Rightarrow x = g^{-1}(y)$ is unique.),

and assume that $x(y) = g^{-1}(y)$

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{d g^{-1}(y)}{dy} \text{ exists}$$

Then

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \cdot \left| \frac{d g^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right|$$

$$= f_X(x(y)) \cdot \left| \frac{dx(y)}{dy} \right|, \text{ where } x(y) = g^{-1}(y).$$

Example Let $X \sim U[0,1]$ and let

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$$Y = g(X) = \sqrt{X}.$$

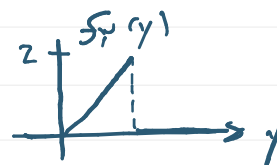
Find $f_Y(y)$. $f_X(x) = 1_{[0,1]}^{(x)}$

Solution: $y = g(x) = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow x = y^2$
 $x(y) = y^2$

$$\frac{dx(y)}{dy} = 2y$$

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(x(y)) \cdot |2y| = 1_{[0,1]}^{(y^2)} \cdot 2y$$

$$= 2y \cdot 1_{[0,1]}^{(y)}$$



Example: Let X be a Gaussian RV
with pdf

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$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}.$$

Let $Y = aX + b$. Find $f_Y(y)$.

Solution: $Y = aX + b$

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(x(y)) \cdot \left| \frac{dx(y)}{dy} \right|, \quad \begin{aligned} y &= ax + b \\ x &= \frac{y-b}{a} \\ x(y) &= \frac{y-b}{a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dx(y)}{dy} = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f_Y(y) &= f_X(x(y)) \left| \frac{dx(y)}{dy} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y-b)^2}{2a^2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{|a|} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}|a|} \exp\left\{-\frac{(y-b)^2}{2a^2}\right\} \end{aligned}$$

Mean, Variance and Expectation

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Defn: The mean or expected value
of a RV X with pdf $f_X(x)$
is

$$E[X] \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx.$$

What about discrete RVs?

n.b. The definition above also applies to discrete RVs if we write their pdf using δ -functions:

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If $P(X = x_k) = P_*(x_k) = p_k$ over the discrete index set, then

$$f_*(x) = \sum_k p_k \delta(x - x_k) = \sum_k p_k \delta(x - x_k)$$

and

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_*(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \left(\sum_k p_k \delta(x - x_k) \right) dx$$

$$= \sum_k p_k \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \delta(x - x_k) dx}_{x_k} = \sum_k p_k x_k = \sum_k P_*(x_k) \cdot x_k$$

$\therefore$ For a discrete RV X , we have

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$$E[X] = \sum_k x_k P_*(x_k).$$

If you know about Riemann-Stieltjes integrals, you can write

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x dF_*(x)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \sum_k x_k p_k & (\text{discrete RV } X) \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_*(x) dx & (\text{continuous RV } X) \end{cases}$$

Defn: Let X be a RV on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ and let $M \in \mathcal{F}$. Then the conditional mean of X conditioned on M is

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$$E[X|M] \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x|M) dx.$$

(n.b. If X is discrete, we have the conditional pmf $p_X(x_k|M) = P(\{X=x_k\}|M)$, and then

$$\begin{aligned} E[X|M] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x|M) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \left(\sum_k p_X(x_k|M) \delta(x-x_k) \right) dx \\ &= \sum_k p_X(x_k|M) \cdot \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \delta(x-x_k) dx}_{x_k} = \sum_k x_k p_X(x_k|M) \end{aligned}$$

Recall...

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$$E[X|M] \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x|M) dx.$$

Example: Let X be an exponentially distributed RV with pdf 14.16

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\mu} \exp\left\{-\frac{x}{\mu}\right\} \mathbb{1}_{[0, \infty)}(x), \mu > 0$$

What is $E[X]$?

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\mu} e^{-x/\mu} dx \\ &\stackrel{\text{int. by parts}}{=} \dots \stackrel{(\text{exercise})}{=} \left[-x e^{-x/\mu} - \mu e^{-x/\mu} \right]_0^{\infty} = \boxed{\mu} \end{aligned}$$

Now let's consider the conditional mean

$$E[X|M], \text{ where } M = \{X > \mu\}$$

$$E[X|\{X > \mu\}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x|\{X > \mu\}) dx \quad 14.17$$

It is straight forward to show that

$$f_X(x|\{X > \mu\}) = \frac{\frac{1}{\mu} \exp\left\{-\frac{x}{\mu}\right\} \cdot \mathbb{1}_{(\mu, \infty)}(x)}{e^{-\mu/\mu}} \quad (\text{exercise})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-\mu)}{\mu}\right\} \mathbb{1}_{(\mu, \infty)}(x)$$

$$\therefore E[X|\{X > \mu\}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x|\{X > \mu\}) dx$$

$$= \int_{\mu}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{1}{\mu} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-\mu)}{\mu}\right\} dx$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{let } r = x - \mu \\ \Rightarrow x = r + \mu \\ \Rightarrow dx = dr \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow = \int_0^{\infty} (r + \mu) \frac{1}{\mu} \exp\left\{-\frac{r}{\mu}\right\} dr = \dots$$

$$= \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{r}{\mu} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\mu}\right) dr}_{\mu} + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\mu}{\mu} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\mu}\right) dr$$

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$$= 2\mu$$

n.b. $E[X] \neq E[X | \{X > \mu\}]$

More generally

$$E[X] \neq E[X | M], M \in \mathcal{F}.$$

Suppose we have a RV X defined on $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{F}, P)$ and having pdf $f_X(x)$

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Now suppose I have a new RV

$$Y = g(X)$$

where $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. What is $E[Y]$?

It appears we must first find $f_Y(y)$ and then compute

$$E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy.$$

While this will work, there is an easier way!

Fact: Let X be a RV and 14.20
define the new RV $Y = g(X)$.

Then

$$E[Y] = E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx.$$

n.b. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy$

Proof: Outlined in Papoulis.